

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Washington, D.C. 20460

October 28, 2019

Mr. Nick Surgey DEPT MR 44173 411 A Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02144-2516

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-HQ-2018-004716

Dear Mr. Surgey:

This letter is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) final response to the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, which were dated February 22, 2018. The FOIA request sought the following records:

"Copies of any emails, memoranda, written notes, or other records in the possession of EPA Chief of Staff, Ryan Jackson, pertaining to EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt's use (or proposed use) of first class or business class travel.

EPA made two productions and released non-exempt information to you on the following dates: December 27, 2018, and July 31, 2019

EPA is withholding 30 records in full and 70 records in part under FOIA Exemption 6, and Exemption 5's deliberative process and attorney-client privileges. 5 U.S.C. §§ 552(b)(5), (6). I have enclosed the current list of EPA's withholdings.

If you have any further questions regarding the two FOIA requests, please contact Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeremy Simon. Thank you for your patience as we respond to your FOIA requests.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth White

Director of the Office of Executive Secretariat

Office of the Administrator

**Environmental Protection Agency** 

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